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Dr. Alan Lloyd, Chairman California Air Resources Board 1001 | Street Sacramento, California 95812

Dear Chairman Lloyd:

I am writing to express my strong endorsement of Personal Rapid Transit as an available solution for helping to solve California's biggest source of GHG emissions, the automobile. Creating walkable communities accessed by high performance public transit is the key to developing viable transit oriented developments where people want to live and work. PRT has the potential to accelerate transit-oriented development throughout Los Angeles County due to its ease of use and convenience. As a result, PRT could reduce automobile vehicle miles traveled and the resulting tailpipe emissions.

The policy recommendations of the California Air Resources Board and its Economic Technology Advancement Advisory Committee (ETAAC) will play an important role in setting the state's priorities in solving the GHG problem in the decades ahead. Therefore, I believe one key recommendation should be the development of a State of California Personal Rapid Transit Pilot Demonstration Project. Support for such a demonstration is important as it could test PRT's quiet and low impact design in the context of transit oriented development. Further, the project will serve to bring government and private investment together and accelerate the deployments of innovative public-private partnerships to better serve the needs of Los Angeles County and the State of California.

Best regards,

YVONNE B. BURKE Chair of the Board

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